BOARD OF SUPERVISORS JOINT MEETING WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD AND LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

MINUTES

December 1, 2004

Supervisors in Attendance:

Mr. Kelly E. Miller, Chairman Mr. Edward B. Barber, Vice Chrm. Mrs. Renny Bush Humphrey Mr. R. M. "Dickie" King, Jr.

Supervisor Absent:

Mr. Arthur S. Warren

Mr. Lane B. Ramsey County Administrator

School Board Members in Attendance:

Dr. James Schroeder, Chairman Mr. Marshall W. Trammell, Jr., Vice Chairman Mrs. Elizabeth B. Davis Mrs. Dianne E. Pettitt Mr. Thomas Doland

Dr. Billy K. Cannaday, Jr. Superintendent

Legislative Delegation in Attendance:

The Honorable M. Kirkland Cox The Honorable Franklin P. Hall The Honorable Riley E. Ingram The Honorable Stephen H. Martin The Honorable Henry L. Marsh, III Special Guest: The Honorable Samuel Nixon, Jr. The Honorable John C. Watkins Ms. Cheryl Ivey-Greene for The Honorable Dwight C. Jones

Staff in Attendance:

Ms. Cathy Clarke, Exec. Asst. to Superintendent Ms. Marilyn Cole, Asst. County Administrator Mr. Richard Cordle, Treasurer Ms. Mary Ann Curtin, Dir., Intergovtl. Relations Mr. Bradford S. Hammer, Deputy Co. Admin., Human Services Ms. Lisa Elko, Clerk Ms. Kathryn Kitchen, Asst. Supt. of Schools for Business and Finance Mr. Tony Leone Budget Analyst Ms. Debra Marlow, Dir., Community Relations Mr. Jeffrey L. Mincks Deputy County Attorney Mr. Jay Payne, Budget Manager Mr. James J. L. Stegmaier, Deputy Co. Admin., Management Services Mr. M. D. Stith, Jr., Deputy Co. Admin., Community Development

Mr. Charlie Davis

MEETING WITH LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION 1.

Mr. Miller called the adjourned meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. and welcomed the members of the School Board and legislative delegation.

Schroeder welcomed the members and extended his appreciation to state and local partners.

Ramsey summarized the county issue that would be presented and then introduced Mr. Jay Stegmaier to give a presentation on changes to the Personal Property Tax Relief Act and the impact it will have on Chesterfield County.

Delegate Hall questioned the bullet that stated money Chesterfield would have received in FY2006 will not be received until FY2007, which could potentially cause a \$40 million budget issue. Mr. Ramsey clarified the county's issues and stated that Secretary Bennett is working with localities towards a resolution.

Mr. Stegmaier further discussed the two primary areas of concern; 1) budget and cash flow issues; and 2) taxpayers receiving less and less tax relief over time. Again, he stated that it is believed that language is being worked out which will resolve the first concern.

Discussion ensued regarding this issue and proposed resolutions.

Mr. Cordle presented a sample 2006 and 2007 tax bill and how the taxes have to be presented on them and how his office is trying to clarify this information for the taxpayers, as well as suggest recommendations for change through the car tax workgroup he is serving on.

Legislators indicated their willingness to help if a resolution does not materialize with Secretary Bennett and the car tax workgroup.

Dr. Schroeder discussed the many changes in the school system today. He spoke about the *No Child Left Behind* Program. He invited the delegation to visit the schools to experience and share first hand in the successful school system that they helped create. He closed by stating his appreciation for the partnership that exists with the Legislators, the Board of Supervisors, and School Board.

Dr. Cannaday spoke about a bio-technology curriculum that will be offered at the Technical Center beginning next year. He introduced Debra Marlow as the Schools contact at the General Assembly. He also noted some significant issues coming before legislators regarding the *No Child Left Behind* program and state accreditation.

Delegate Hall raised a question about the state exemption from the *No Child Left Behind* program. Dr. Cannaday expressed support for the program, but provided recommendations for improving certain areas and identified opportunities for specific exemptions for schools in Virginia.

2. OPEN DISCUSSION

Senator Watkins discussed concerns regarding the recent adoption of the Chesapeake Bay Ordinance by the county.

Discussion ensued about the concerns of the county regarding this ordinance.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Miller stated his belief is that the mission of all in attendance is to do what is in the best interest of the citizens of Chesterfield County and the Commonwealth of Virginia. He then thanked the members of the legislative delegation for meeting with the Board and the School Board.

It was generally agreed that the Board adjourn at 7:25 p.m. until December 15, 2004 at 3:30 p.m.

Lane B. Ramsey County Administrator Kelly E. Miller Chairman